

**Financial assistance for advanced scientific research**

2001. SHRIMATI VIPLOVE THAKUR: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government provide financial assistance to the institutions, scientific institutions and universities for advanced scientific study and research in telecommunication technology;

(b) if so, the details thereof alongwith the names of such institutions, scientific institutions and universities, State-wise and the amount released to each of them;

(c) the findings/suggestions these institutions have submitted to Government during the last three years;

(d) whether Government have appointed any agency for monitoring such institutions; and

(e) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI D. PURANDESWARI): (a) to (e) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

**Restructuring of private deemed universities**

2002. SHRIMATI VIPLOVE THAKUR: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that private deemed universities have demanded an increase in NRI quota to 15 per cent, autonomy to decide fee and seat structure, allowing more than 54 percent increase in seats and not enforcing admission criteria for students from the weaker section;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether it is also a fact that some universities have also demanded Government to compensate for rebate envisaged for students from weaker section to prevent general category students paying higher fees; and

(d) if so, Government's reaction thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI D. PURANDESWARI): (a) to (d) As part of the process of formulating a policy of reservation in unaided private educational institutions, the Government has been consulting various stakeholders including